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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

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Sir:

Please enter the following amendment into the file prior to examination thereof.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1, after the title insert the following section:

**--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

--This application is a continuation of the U.S. national phase designation of international application no. PCT/IL00/00305 filed May 28, 2000, and is a continuation of U.S. application no. 09/434,025 filed November 4, 1999, each of which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. application no. 08/569,042 filed December 7, 1995.

**REMARKS**

The specification has been amended to refer to earlier filed applications. Please enter this change prior to examination of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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